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Wetlands Protection Committee Minutes 12/11/2014

Town of Wellesley
Wetlands Protection Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 11, 2014

Approved 02/12/2015

Meeting Location: NRC Office, Lower Level, Town Hall

525 Washington Street Wellesley, MA 02482

Present: Members Robert Collins (Chair), Richard Howell, Carl Sciple, and Wellesley

Wetlands Administrator Pam Helinek

Guests: Harold Olsen, Tom Sneesby, Alexander von Richthofen, Kevin Narbonne, Avi

Chiat, Jerry Kelley, Diane Simonelli, Karl Olsen

6:30 pm **Public Voice**

H. Olsen was present. As of the meeting date, the negotiated settlement in connection with 20 Manor Ave. has not been signed and the appeal will continue.

Administrative Business

- Minor Plan Change Request 7 Hampden Street MassDEP #324-0518 A. von Richthofen, the Property Owner, was present. The screened porch is no longer being added and the addition has been widened to accommodate the garage. With the proposed changes, the impervious surface will be less and the work will be further from the wetlands. A. von Richthofen requested email confirmation of the approved change to submit with his application. R. Howell made and C. Sciple seconded a motion to accept the minor modification to the Order; the WPC voted 3-0 to accept the minor modification to the Order. R. Howell made and C. Sciple seconded a motion to extend the Order by two years; the WPC voted 3-0 to extend the Order.
- Certificate of Compliance Request (COC) 22 Brook Street MassDEP #324-0284 There was a site visit on 12/9. C. Sciple made and R. Howell seconded a motion to issue the Certificate; the WPC voted 3-0 to accept the Certificate.
- Order of Conditions (OOC) Extension Request 20 Overbrook Drive MassDEP #324-0571 There was a site visit on 12/9. The driveway will be torn up and a new culvert that is wider and flatter will be built. R. Howell made and C. Sciple seconded a motion to extend the Order; the WPC voted 3-0 to extend the Order.

Public Hearings - New and Continued*

7:00 pm 53 Windsor Road – Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA)

A. Chiat, the Property Owner, and Kevin Narbonne, Hartney Greymont, were present.

R. Collins opened the hearing on a proposal to stabilize the embankment of an intermittent stream and remove debris from the streambed.

There was a site visit on 12/9.

There is significant erosion of the bank and debris is blocking the flow. The proposed plan will use rocks and loam to shore up the bank, and the debris will be cleared. Native plantings will be used to help maintain the integrity of the bank. Small equipment will be brought in, but the majority of the work will be done by hand.

R. Howell made and C. Sciple seconded a motion to issue a negative determination; the WPC voted 3-0 to issue a negative determination.

7:15 pm Morses Pond Culvert – Notice of Intent (NOI), MassDEP # 324-0769

T. Sneesby, Environmental Strategies & Management, Inc., was present.

Supporting documents include

- NOI and supporting documents, prepared by A. Boyd, Environmental Strategies & Management, Inc., dated 11/5/2014, stamped received by the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) 11/5/2014
- Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP), Phase IV Remedy Implementation Plan Addendum Area 3, MASSDEP RTN 3-11653, prepared for American Premier Underwriters, prepared by Environmental Strategies & Management, Inc., dated 12/24/2013

The standard condition for tree protection has been removed at the request of the applicant. A condition specifying that a Licensed Site Professional (LSP) do the inspections has been added. A condition for the work to be done during dry weather has been added.

R. Howell made and C. Sciple seconded a motion to close and issue the Order; the WPC voted 3-0 to close and issue the Order.

Administrative Business (continued):

- *Update:* 120 Manor Ave P. Helinek spoke with the Property Owner about stopping work. There is photo documentation of what has been cut to date.
- Discussion: John Rockwood invoice J. Rockwood has an outstanding invoice for the third-party review of the Fuller Brook project. The Fuller Brook Committee had agreed to pay up to \$2950. There are two additional charges of \$1000 each for out-of-scope work. The WPC has paid \$1000.

7:30 pm 57 Parker Road – NOI, MassDEP # 324-0771

D. Simonelli, Field Resources, Inc., and J. Kelly, an Abutter, were present.

Supporting documents include:

- NOI and supporting documents, prepared by Diane Simonelli, Field Resources, Inc., dated 11/25/2014, stamped received by the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) 11/26/2014
- Plan: "Rain Garden," prepared by Field Resources, Inc., stamped received by the NRC 11/26/2014

There was a site visit on 12/9.

R. Collins opened the hearing on a proposal for a pool, patio and associated utilities in the Riverfront Area to Bogle Brook and Buffer Zone (BZ) of an associated Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW).

The plan proposes cutting 15 trees from a wooded area for the pool and patio. The plan also proposes a rain garden.

BVW, Land Under Water Bodies, Land Subject to Flooding, Riverfront Area applies to the property.

The existing drive is impervious. Trees #2, 3, 4, 6, and 10 have been deemed hazardous. Additional trees are requested for removal. The pool and patio are considered impervious; the rain garden will absorb the runoff.

The proposed plan will add 530 sq. ft. of impervious to the 100-ft. inner riparian and 1880 sq. ft. of impervious to the 200-ft. outer riparian. Wattles will be used for erosion control.

J. Kelly, an Abutter at 55 Parker Rd., raised concerns about pooling under his shed. He asked whether a PVC pipe or swale could redirect the water back to the rain garden.

There was a question on the increase in impervious and the capacity of the rain garden. There was also a question whether the Alternatives Analysis could include discussion of whether the pool could be located elsewhere. There was an additional concern regarding the loss of overstory and the impact on wildlife.

8:15 pm <u>Discussion: 19 Sunnyside Ave, MassDEP # 324-0770</u>

J. Karll, the Property Owner, was present.

Raising the fence will require resetting the fence posts, which will entail digging around the posts. The posts are set at approximately two ft. The WPC asked the Homeowner to discuss alternatives with his contractor.

The WPC extended the deadline to 5/1/2015.

Administrative Business (Continued)

- *Update:* 20 Manor Ave Blue Flax submitted revisions based on J. Rockwood's comments to Nancy White at the DEP.
- *Update: 27 Wingate Road* The deadline for the NOI is 12/24.
- Approve Meeting Minutes C. Sciple made and R. Howell seconded a motion to approve the 7/17 minutes with edits; the WPC voted 3-0 to approve the minutes. C. Sciple made and R. Howell seconded a motion to approve the 8/28 minutes; the WPC voted 3-0 to approve the minutes. C. Sciple made and R. Howell seconded a motion to approve the 9/18 minutes; the WPC voted 3-0 to approve the minutes. C. Sciple made and R. Howell seconded a motion to approve the 10/9 minutes; the WPC voted 3-0 to approve the minutes.

- *Discussion: New Committee Member* The NRC has suggested a possible committee member; the WPC discussed other possible candidates.
- Discussion: Updates to Wellesley Bylaw Regulations The process will be coordinated with P. Helinek and J. Rockwood.

Adjournment

C. Sciple made and R. Howell seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting; the WPC voted 3-0 to adjourn.